

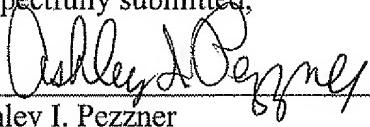
REMARKS

The applicant has incorporated claim 8 into claim 6. The Examiner has rejected claims 6 and 7 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Deeter et al., Tetrahedron Letters, 31, 1990.

Claim 8 is objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would appear allowable over the prior art of record if rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. In order to expedite prosecution the applicant has incorporated claim 8 into claim 6. Therefore, the rejection should be withdrawn.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 03-2775, under Order No. 12810-00113-US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Respectfully submitted,

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